

DON'T BE A KNOCKER

All progressive citizens of Monett are backing the efforts of the mayor and city council in their efforts to give to the city a clean, honest and economical administration. The opposition comes from special interests, chronic knockers and the political manipulators who find that they are on outside and who want to get in because of selfish interests.

There has not been at any time in the history of the city a more careful and economical administration than the one now in charge of affairs, and this is especially true of the committee on finance. Instead of a heavy deficit each year, as under some former administrations, the city is in good condition financially, the water works system and streets are being put into proper condition, and the outlook for the city is bright indeed.

Special interests are howling at three cents per bowl, for street lights and point out that the city had lights under former administrations.

It is true that at different times there were a few lights strung along Broadway, and Broadway only, which was not satisfactory to the public, and for which the city paid an exorbitant price and it is also true that the city was not able to pay for the same.

We are informed, by one who knows, that at one time the city owed the electric light company \$1,700 for the six or seven until-midnight-dark-of-the-moon flickers, and that the city sinking fund was unlawfully raided to clear up the account.

The city has voted by a more than four to one vote to install a municipal electric lighting plant that will accommodate the entire city and the officials are only waiting for the opportunity to install the same, and the opposition, the overwhelming minority, is putting up the price of the daily knocks at so much per knock.

The citizens of Monett are wise to the bunch and the knocking is fast becoming ridiculous to them.

ANOTHER JUNKET.

Governor Hadley, Game Warden Tollerton, State Bank Examiner Swanger, Commissioner Wightman and Major McCann are enjoying themselves this week down in Taney county on the Wetmore game preserve, twelve miles from Branson, on the White river.

A good state job makes mighty good republican picking in these piping times of peace.

The Governor will have an opportunity to relieve himself of a speech at Branson.

TO SEE THE WIND.

Seeing the wind is a rare but easy feat. The object wherein it may be seen is a common saw. On any blowy day—the wind being, say, in the north—hold your saw with the end pointing, one to the east, the other to the west. Take the saw as if you were going to cut the air upward, and let the teeth, which are on top, tilt over till the flat part of the saw is at an angle of 45 degrees with the horizon. You will then see the wind. Looking along the teeth of the saw you will see the wind pour over them as plainly as you may see water pouring over a fall.—Kansas City Star.

BOULDIN-HOFFMAN.

Miss Lester Hoffman, of Wichita, Kan., was married Wednesday, November 17, to Mr. Will Bouldin, of Monett.

The wedding took place at Carthage, Judge Hubbard performing the ceremony.

Mr. Bouldin is the son of Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Smith Bouldin. He is an engineer on the Kansas division of the Frisco and an industrious young man of good habits.

Mr. and Mrs. Bouldin will make their home in Monett.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors who were so good and kind to us during the illness and death of our little daughter May.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK DAVIDSON.

FREE STATE BOOSTS OPPOSED

Montgomery City, Mo., Editors Won't Pay for Public Institution Ads.

Montgomery, City, Mo., Nov. 16.—The newspaper men of Montgomery have inaugurated a movement looking to the abolition of the fall system of advertising public institutions of the State, including the State University, the State Board of Agriculture and State Fair. Every week series of letters, prepared by special writers, are being sent to the editors of the various counties, requesting them to print as news items, stating that the matter is furnished to the editors free of the cost.

The editors here, who are rebelling against the system, say it is not fair for the State to contribute thousands of dollars to these public institutions for legitimate expenses, one of which is advertising, and then to hire a press agent to work the newspapers for space without any compensation whatsoever.

The editors are advocating a united effort on the part of the country press, not only to throw these special typewritten letters into the waste basket, but to write the heads of these State institutions that if they don't adopt a more liberal and businesslike policy, they must expect their advertisement to go into the furnace instead of the paper.

As a last resort the editors may appeal to the next session of the Legislature for fair consideration.

SOUTH OF MONETT

Most every one likes to stay as near the heating stove as possible this week, it being the first cold weather this season.

Farmers are not very busy now, as most of the crops have been gathered and stored away for winter.

A. Bounous is making a new addition to his house.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bounous are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ami Reynaud spent Sunday with Mr. J. Marshall and family near Macedonia.

Rev. Love, of Cassville, preached at the Waldensian church Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Burrows and children, of Purdy, spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. J. Lee.

J. P. S. Planchon purchased a new carriage last week.

Miss Elva Malan spent Sunday with Miss Edna Courdin.

Mrs. W. A. Niskern visited at Mrs. C. Cassidy's Sunday.

John Courdin and family spent Sunday with and Mrs. J. Mourglia.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Medlin visited at S. Medlin's Sunday.

Success to the TIMES and all its readers.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS TO ESTABLISH PAPER

Oklahoma City, Ok., Nov. 17.—organization of Democrats, for the establishment of a state-wide independent morning paper, capitalized at \$520,000, was perfected at El Reno Saturday, four lots on the corner of South Bickford and London streets were purchased and plans for a four-story building ordered.

Those interested in the deal are: M. L. Turner of Oklahoma City, Mose Wetmore of St. Louis, Norman E. Macs, chairman of the National Democratic committee, Homer Basford of the St. Louis Times is to be the editor. The paper will be started the first of the year.

The paper will carry the full morning press reports and will be run on a complete modern scale.

MARRIED

Sidney Chaffin, of Monett and Miss Opal Rice, of Peirce City, were married at Peirce City Wednesday evening, November 17.

Mr. Chaffin is a brakeman on the Frisco out of Monett.

Buckwheats

The frost is on the pumpkin patch
The fire is in the stubble,
Vacation's o'er and business here
With all its toil and trouble.
And from the city's crowded homes
To farmstead lone and sunny,
A million wait at breakfast time
For buckwheat cakes and honey.
Away with costly caviare,
And canvasback and salmon
And truffles, only in the reach
Of Midas or of Mammon;
A symphony in brown and gold
Each morning gets my money;
It is a smoking pyramid
Of buckwheat cakes and honey.

—New York Sun.

FACTORIES FOR MONETT

Mr. J. C. McManima, of Springfield, was in the city for a short time today, Thursday, consulting with the Commercial Club relative to the removal to this city of a suspender, supporter and garter factory owned by him and now in operation in Kansas City; also a stove factory.

The factories when in successful operation will employ twenty-five or more persons each.

A meeting was called at the State bank and Mr. McManima explained his plans in detail.

By a vote of the Club the matter was placed in the hands of the committee on manufactures with instructions to make the necessary investigations.

WRECK INJURES NINETEEN PERSONS.

Nineteen persons were injured, but none of them fatally, when a southbound passenger train, No. 11, of the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad, was wrecked at Rogers Wednesday. Spreading rails caused the accident. The engine overturned and a baggage car a mail car and a day coach were thrown on their sides.

Several Monett men were on the train. Dick Mahoney had an ear cut; Express Messengers H. D. Devault, Guy Dawson and W. A. Welsh were bruised. Conductor Milton Overton suffered an injury to his hand.

ONE CONSOLATION

Dr. Cook is a Democrat, so he is not apt to have the North Pole postmastership thrust upon him as an administration reward of merit.—Blackburn Record.

TO OPEN RITCHEY ROAD

Judge Wood, Judge Marrs and Judge Sutton, of the county court, in company with County Engineer Thain and County Surveyor McElhaney, were in Granby Tuesday to look after some public road matters in this special district.

The county officers took with them G. M. Spangle and W. W. Hudson of this city, and went out east of town to investigate what is known as the Ritchey and Granby road. For a long time the road overseers have refused work this road on account of its not being on the section lines.

After investigating the matter the county court found the facts concerning the roads to be as previously represented to them by Messrs. Spangle and Hudson, and they order the county surveyor to establish the lines, after which the county engineer and the officials of the Granby district will put the new roadway in condition to travel. This will give Granby a much needed road to the east and will prove a big advantage to the town and the people living east of town. It will also permanently settle all disputes regarding section lines and give the land owners along the road the satisfaction of knowing where their land is located.—Granby Miner.

C. C. Meador's daughter Norine ran away from home some time Wednesday night. She took with her a quantity of clothing and a sum of money. This the third time the young lady has left home and her parents are much concerned about her.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. A. Nelson is quite sick this week.

Harry Kirk went to Peirce City Tuesday.

Football coaches make the players train.

E. R. White, of Sapulpa, Ok., is visiting in the city.

J. J. Randall's daughter, Loretta, is ill with malaria.

Miss Maud Campbell has returned from a visit at Neosho.

Mrs. Chris Peak, of Neosho, is visiting Mrs. Steele Campbell.

B. N. Mas of McDowell, was one of Monett's visitors this week.

J. E. Harvey and T. Dwyer are on the new local run to Joplin.

Chas. Hughes of Lafayette, Ind., is visiting his uncle, Harry Kirk.

Mat Butler has purchased a new Ford touring car. It is a beauty.

Misses Anna Morris and Estella Brown went to Joplin Thursday.

Rev. Roschke, of Freistatt, has returned from a visit in Arkansas.

Hiram McKinney of Madry, was in the city on business Wednesday.

If you need a Stylish Buggy and Harness see Davis & Chapell Hdw. Co.

James Lauderdale left Wednesday for a visit to his mother in Tennessee.

F. E. Shepherd of Purdy, was transacting business in the city Wednesday.

Sam Pittman went to Webb City Thursday to attend the Y. M. C. A. state convention.

The largest line of Buggy Harness in the country at Davis & Chapell Hdw. Co.

W. F. Durnil has gone to St. Louis to purchase goods for Durnil's dry goods store.

Conductor G. L. Rice came in from Lawton, Ok., and took out the fast mail Thursday morning.

Buy your Harness from Davis & Chapell Hdw. Co. They carry the stock and make the price.

M. E. Thomas, of Omaha, Neb., was in the city Thursday in the interest of the Twentieth Century Farmer.

Mrs. R. E. Martin and children, of Little Rock, Ark., are expected in a few days for a visit with relatives and friends.

Fred Campbell has returned to work on the Frisco after several months lay-off on account of a serious injury to his hand.

D. N. Jewett went to Cassville Wednesday to attend an adjourned session of the grand jury. He is foreman of the jury.

Mr. Buchanan and Miss Buchanan, of Springfield and Mrs. Richard Carrol, of Chaffee, visited Mrs. J. E. Burke Sunday.

Francis Odekoven of Leslie, Ark., visited his aunt, Mrs. C. E. Vaughn Monday. He went to Verona Tuesday to visit relatives.

Tom McGirr came in from Sapulpa, Ok., Tuesday night. He had been intending to move to that city but may decide to remain in Monett.

Miss Alma Gonten of Seymour, visited her sister, Mrs. Alice Gerhard Sunday and Monday. She was on her way home from Fort Smith, Ark.

Sheriff Newman went over to Columbus, Kan., Wednesday night after Ray Coward who is wanted at Cassville for statutory rape. He brought back the young man.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woods, of Springfield, Ill., who had been visiting their niece, Mrs. Geo. Edgar left Monday for a visit at Beaumont, Kan. Miss Ethel Edgar went with them.

Frank Hammock was found guilty of burglary and larceny Wednesday and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. He was afterwards paroled by the Judge during good behavior.

The Knights Templar held a special meeting on Wednesday evening. Work was given Geo. J. C. Wilhelm, E. O. Brown and F. M. Rowden. Among the out of town visitors were Mr. Garstang, of Joplin, Will Raupp, Sam Douthitt and Bert Dummit, of Peirce City and Loren Seneker of Mt. Vernon.

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A FARMER PRINCE

Sixty years ago a poor Indiana farmer boy was married. After the ceremony was over he turned to the parson and said: "Here is five dollars. It is every cent in the world I have. Take it—all I want is an even start in the world."

A few weeks ago I stood on the biggest farm in the world and let my eye lose itself in the distance of a six thousand acre corn field. The undulating corn riding up the slope of a hill and drooping softly over made me think of some placid green sea. Turning to David Rankin, I looked at him and marveled at the romance of a mere farmer.

"How did you do it?" I asked of the world's most extensive farmer.

"Early and late," he answered, smiling.

There are other men in the world who own more land than David Rankin of Tarkio, Missouri, but they are not farmers. There are men who have finer farms, but they have brought the money to the farm. Every acre in David Rankin's farm in Atchison county, Missouri, produces. "I don't graze sheep, nor pasture cattle," he explained simply, "I farm."

In the midst of the great Missouri-Illinois-Iowa corn-belt are his farms. Cattle and corn are the products. Land on all sides sells at one hundred dollars an acre and up. David Rankin has 25,640 acres of such land devoted to raising corn and feeding cattle.

Although eighty-four years old, David Rankin is light of step, quick of movement and enjoys good health. It is evident that his regular life and moderate living is the explanation. In all his work he is systematic and runs his many acres on schedule plan. Farming to him is a business and not merely a way of eking out an existence.—From "David Rankin—Plain Farmer," in Technical World Magazine.

STONES PRAIRIE

We have been having plenty of rain lately but most everyone was glad to see it. The shock of the cold snap which followed, was not very pleasant however. But it is the time of year now for cold weather and it would be more agreeable if it would stay cold for a while.

Wheat is looking remarkably well in this neighborhood for the time of year but the continued warm weather and the warm rains have crowded its growth till the ground is almost covered in lots of fields.

J. W. Chastain and family and Bob Pain and family of Monett, spent Sunday with Allen Holmes and family.

Health is pretty good in this vicinity at present. Some few still have colds.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Holmes spent the first of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Chastain of Peirce City. Mrs. Chastain was very sick but is recovering rapidly now we are glad to say.

Mrs. M. C. Banks and daughter Miss Stella were shopping in Monett Tuesday afternoon.

This cold weather will cause several who have their hogs fat to butcher them.

There was a big frost and quite a little ice in this vicinity Wednesday morning again.

There will be Sunday School at New Site next Sunday as usual. Also prayer meeting Wednesday night. Everybody invited.

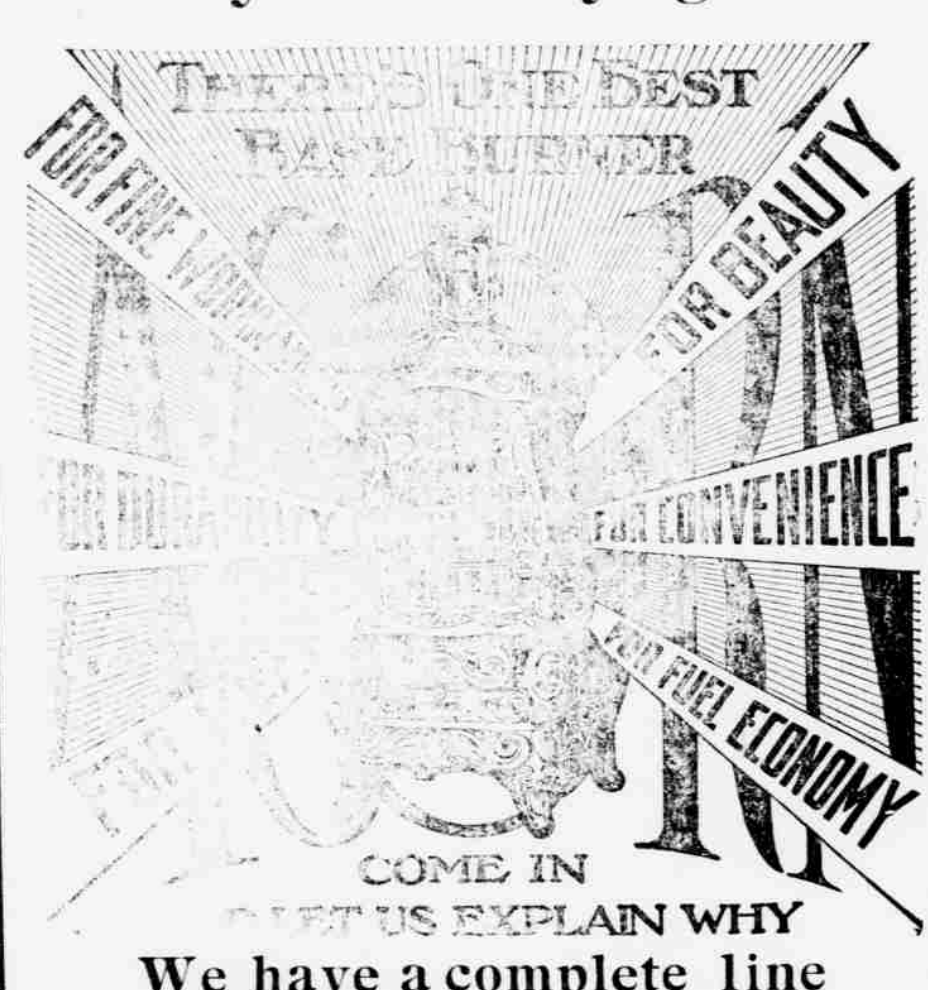
Items are scarce.

COLUMBIAN.

Y. M. C. A. STATE MEETING

The Y. M. C. A. state convention assembled at Webb City today and its sessions will continue for three days. It is expected that three hundred delegates will be in attendance. "Billy" Sunday who had expected to be present at the meeting will not be there. Rev. J. W. Stewart of Springfield, will take his place on the program.

Do you need a stove?
If so buy an "Acorn"
They are always good



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LET US EXPLAIN WHY
We have a complete line
from \$1.50 to \$60.00.
Call and see us and let us show you
Davis & Chapell
Hardware Company.